

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

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In re: ) PROMESA  
THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND ) Title III  
MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO, )  
as representative of ) No. 17 BK 3283-LTS  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, )  
*et al.* )  
Debtors. )  
)  
In re: )  
THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND ) PROMESA  
MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO, ) Title III  
as representative of ) No. 17 BK 4780-LTS  
PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER )  
AUTHORITY (“PREPA”) )  
Debtor.<sup>1</sup> )  
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**APPLICATION AND PROPOSED ORDER FOR ADMISSION  
PRO HAC VICE OF DAVID F. STABER**

TO THE HONORABLE LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN,  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

Comes now, David F. Staber, applicant herein and respectfully states:

1. Applicant is an attorney with offices at:

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor’s respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3283-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation (“COFINA”) (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority (“HTA”) (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (“ERS”) (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); and (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (“PREPA”) (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 4780-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

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2. Applicant will sign all pleadings with the name David F. Staber.
3. Applicant represents Cobra Acquisitions LLC (“Cobra” or “Contractor”).
4. Since 1988, applicant has been and presently is a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the State of Texas, where applicant regularly practices law. Applicant’s bar number is 18986950.

5. Applicant has been admitted to practice before the following courts:

Court	Date of Admission	Bar Number
Supreme Court of Texas	1988	18986950
United States District Court Northern District of Texas	1988	
United States District Court Eastern District of Texas	1991	
United States District Court Western District of Texas	2006	
United States District Court Southern District of Texas	2006	
United States Court of Appeals for the 5 <sup>th</sup> Circuit	1999	
United States Court of Appeals for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Circuit	2000	

6. Applicant is a member in good standing of the bars of the courts listed in paragraph 5.
7. Applicant is not currently suspended from the practice of law before any court or jurisdiction.
8. Applicant is not currently the subject of any complaint for unethical conduct, disciplinary proceedings or criminal charges before any court or jurisdiction.
9. During the past three years, applicant has not filed for pro hac vice admission in the

United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico.

10. Local Counsel of record associated with applicant in this matter are:

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11. Applicant has read the local rules of this court and will comply with same.

12. Applicant has read Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico which provide in part that attorneys appearing pro hac vice must comply with the provisions set forth therein and pay an admission fee of \$300.00 per appearance in each new case before the Court. Accordingly, payment of the pro hac vice admission fee has been made through the Clerk of the Court.

WHEREFORE, applicant respectfully requests to be admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico for the above-styled case only.

Date: October 1st, 2019

/s/ David F. Staber  
David F. Staber

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, pursuant to Local Rule 83A(f), that we consent to the designation of local counsel of record for all purposes.

Date: October 1st, 2019

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this date, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all attorneys of record and that I will make the corresponding payment of \$300.00 *pro hac vice* admission fee.

*/s/Gustavo Pabón-Rico*  
USDC-PR No. 231207

ORDER

The Court, having considered the above Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice, orders that:

- the application be granted. The Clerk of Court shall deposit the admission fee to the account of Non-Appropriated Funds of this Court.
- the application be denied. The Clerk of Court shall return the admission fee to the applicant.

SO ORDERED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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**U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE**